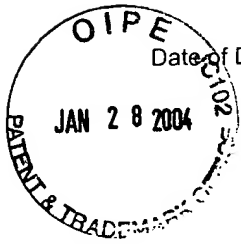


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**AMENDMENT AND REQUEST FOR RECONSIDERATION**

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Dear Sir:

In response to the Official Action of July 28, 2003 Applicants respectfully requested reconsideration in light of the following amendments and remarks.

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